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An Incomplete History
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Witchey (Witschi) Family
In Switzerland and America



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J. Franklin Witchey

I am dedicating this Witchey Booklet to my father, J. Franklin Witchey, the only son of J. Alexander and Salome Witchey. My father was born August 25, 1863 at Beaver Falls in Beaver Valley and died June 25, 1933 in Osceola Mills, Pa. He was married to Anna Margaret Trude on November 12, 1895. The family was born and raised in Osceola Mills, Pa.

My father was a good father, a fine Christian gentleman, a Sunday School teacher for more than twenty-five years in the Methodist Church of Osceola Mills, an honest employer highly respected by all who worked for him, and a respected citizen of his community.



Rev. Harry W. Witchey

SCHWEIZERS HEIMWEH
HERZ, MEIN HERZ, WARUM SO TRAUIG.

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Herz, mein Herz, Warum so traurig,
Und was soll das Ach und Weh?
‘Sist so schoen im fremden Lande!
Herz, mein Herz, was fehlt dir mehr?
Herz, mein Herz, was fehlt dir mehr?

Was mir fehlt? mir fehlet alles,
Bin so ganz ver lassen hier!
Ist's gleich schoen im fremden Lande!
Doch zur Heimat wird es nie!
Doch zur Heimat wird es nie!

Zu der Heimat moecht' ich wieder,
Aber bald, ach ja, recht bald;
Moecht' zum Vater, moecht' zur Mutter,
Moecht' zu Thal u. Berg u. Wald.
Moecht' zu Thal u. Berg u. Wald.

Keiner hat mich lieb hier draussen,
Keiner drueckt so warm die Hand
Und kein Kindlein will mir loecheln,
Wie daheim im Heimatland!
Wie daheim im Heimatland!

Auf und fort, und fuehr' mich wieder,
Wo ich gluecklich war als Kind,
Hab' nicht Lust und hab' nicht Frieden,
Bis in meinem Dorf ich bin!
Bis in meinem Dorf ich bin!

Herz, mein Herz, in Gottes Namen!
‘s ist ein Leiden, gib dich drein!
Will's der Herr, so kannst du morgen
Schon in deiner Heimat sein!
Schon in deiner Heimat sein!

J. Rudolf Wyss, 1830

A SHORT SKETCH OF THE WITSCHI (WITCHEY) FAMILY HISTORY AND NAME IN SWITZERLAND

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The Witschi family (this is the usual spelling in the Old Country) is of very old Swiss extraction and not at all of foreign origin. The name itself is quite characteristically Swiss. The German-speaking Swiss likes to shorten long first names and to stick a -tschi or -tsch (sounding like tch in English) onto the remainder. Thus, Rudolph becomes Ruetsch, Gerard changes into Gertsch, Reinard into Rentsch, Godefroy into Gotsch, Albert into Bertsch or Bertschi-- just to give a few examples of Swiss "pet names". In common slang, even the word "Bruder" (brother) is a too long one; they shorten it to "Bruetsch". Witschi also is an old pet name—a shortening form of names like Widbold (widely bold), Widprecht (widely brilliant, widely glossy or famous), Widger (wide spear), Widimar (widely told of) and others; perhaps also of names beginning with Wig- (fight, struggle, war): Wigbold (bold in the fight), Wighart (strong in the battle), and others. These all are ancient German (Teuton) names of very high age. Such old German names, of course, were merely pious wishes of father and mother, given to the newborn baby, and it might happen that a Wigbold (see above) grew timid and peace-loving, and a "widely told of" Widimar would be unknown to any people a few miles away.

Many generations of Witschi ancestors lived in what is now Switzerland without any written records made about them. Personal records, in our country as well as elsewhere in Central Europe, begin rather late, as far as not the high gentry is concerned. A very important fact: family names came up in the 13th century only. Before, every man and woman had just one name, the first name, i. e. German or Christian name. Population was scarce, so a single name was quite enough to distinguish one man or woman from each other. For longer than 3 centuries, family names, then, were changed quite easily with the trade and with the living place; they were mere pet names or teasing names unto the times when Church Records came up (16th century).

II.

Switzerland is a Federal Republic of 25 different Cantons or States (largest and most important one: Berne), each of them having its own Government and own State Archives. As Witschi is an essentially Bernese name, Witschi records must be looked for in Bernese Archives.

The first mentioned Bernese Witschi dates from about 1400. His first name was Hensli (in modern Bernese dialect: Hansli), which means in English: Little John, and he was living as a farmer at Hettiswil. This is a nice and wealthy village about 8 miles North East of Berne, at the end of a hilly region opening into a flat and fertile part of our country, the District (County) of Fraubrunnen, one of our main farming centers. The villagers of today are mainly farmers and tradesmen. The village has a public school, but no church. The church is at nearby Krauchtal.

The history of a small village, as a rule, knows only little of important events, but that of Hettiswil contains one quite interesting fact, that of the Women of Hettiswil. In 1374 or 1375, a horde of French and English soldiers - mercenaries of an ambitious French baron, the Sire de Coucy, invaded Switzerland in order to fight the Duke of Austria which owned much property in the central and east regions. A troop of these soldiers one day tried to plunder Hettiswil, but the village women so valiantly assisted their fathers, brothers, sons, sweethearts and husbands in defeating the intruders that it was at once moved and agreed the women ought to have a reward for everlasting times. Thus, they were granted the revenue of a large meadow, the Women's Meadow, i. e. in fact, a sum of money to be spent for a good meal held once every year by all village women. Very likely, the mother, wife or sisters of the above mentioned Little John Witschi were among the heroines. No names, however, are recorded.

Little John was a wealthy man, and one of good political sense, too. He acquired the "outer" or "external citizenship" of the then still young city of Berno (founded in 1191) by paying the amount of about \$150, thus securing the efficacious protection by the City and certain advantages in Court of Justice Matters, engaging himself, on the other side, to join the small City Army in wartime and to pay heavy taxes, if necessary, when hard times should come. Though being a "citizen", he continued to live at Hettiswil and to toil and sweat on his fields. External citizens like him, then very numerous, made our City strong for its successful struggle for liberty and democracy.

In 1446, on May 10, nine farmers of Hettiswil were together received as new outer citizens, among them Peter Witschi the elder and Peter Witschi the younger. No doubt they were close relatives to Little John. In 1496, it was the turn of Jorg (George) Witschi of Hettiswil and of Peter and John, brothers, living in the neighborhood, at Krauchtal, the parish village. In 1537, Bastian and Peter Witschi of Hettiswil were registered in the same quality;

in the same year, one Heini (Henry) Witschi at nearby Ostermundigon; in 1556 one Bastian Witschi at nearby Schleumen. As one sees, the family had grown and had spread out into the vicinity of the old seat.

III.

Unto the Reformation (in Berne, in 1528) there was a small cloister (monastery) at Hettiswil: a priorate of Cluniacs (a rather austere Monks' Order). As the inmates were mostly members of the Gentry, very likely no Witschi entered the Cloister's rooms in order to spend his life therein. They preferred their farming life in the open air.

In 1528 the monasteries were all suppressed, and the Prior of Hettiswil sent away with an indemnity of 300 crowns (say, 800 to 1000\$). The buildings and the other property were sequestrated by the authorities and became a national fund.

Twelve years later, in 1540, the Government sold the former Priorate property to two Hettiswil farmers: Peter Witschi, village mayor, and John Konig the younger. It was 12 acres of meadows, about 36 acres of fields, a pond for keeping fish and for irrigating, and a house (which was to be torn down in order to give place for a road), the whole being sold for 1200 pounds (say, about 12000\$). Witschi and Konig paid cash, so no doubt they were quite rich men. Over the said price, they engaged themselves to give the tithe (each tenth sheaf), also, annually at St. Martin's Day, one pound of cash (10\$), eight big bags of spelt, 8 young hens and 80 eggs.

A fierce, stout, wealthy and vivid, trustworthy farming population was, as one might say, the backbone of free old Switzerland, and as one easily sees, some Witschis did class in the front ranks.

IV.

Before going further, I necessarily must explain two Swiss peculiarities: the National Church and the Home-right.

In the Old Bernese State, after 1528 (see above) everybody was by birth a member of the National Church (Reformed). The Catholic Faith and Church were allowed again after the French Revolution only, in 1798. Thus, all Witschis after 1528 were members of the Reformed Church, and, as far as I know, are still today. Of course,

nowadays, one would be allowed to join, say, the Salvation Army, the Baptist Church, the Methodist Church, the Free Evangelical Church or someone else, but he would anyhow be and remain a registered member of the National Church less he actually, by a written declaration, would withdraw his membership (a thing that does not happen often). This is a system and situation surely unknown in the United States.

Let us go on to the Homeright. In our country, everybody is "from somewhere": he is by birth a citizen of the place where his ancestors were living 250 years ago, even if he or his father and mother never have seen that place. By marriage the wife acquires the homeright of her husband. In earlier times this right was of real practical value because the Home Township had to care for all its indigent people. Today, public relief being a business of the residence township, the homeright is a merely statistical and police control matter except for a few places where the resident citizens touch an annual income be they rich or poor: some fuel wood, some land for vegetables and potatoes, or even some cash.

As said above, the Witschi family has spread out from Hettiswil to all directions of the compass and nowadays there are Witschis of quite a dozen different townships. At Hettiswil itself there are no more Witschi citizens now, but they are numerous in the close neighbourhood, particularly in the above mentioned rich farming Fraubrunnen County, the main seats being Hindelbank and Jegenstorf, two big parish villages about 8 miles North and North-East of Berne and 1 (3) miles from Hettiswil.

Most members of the numerous Witschi family, however, do not live at their home township. As for the City of Berne, the Address-Book (list of steady residents) enumerates 83 Witschis (single persons and families) not counting housemaids, cooks, farm hands, store helps, etc., which are not recorded. The Berne Telephone book names 18 Witschis. One of them, a High School teacher and a renowned historian, is President of the Swiss School Broadcasting Committee.

How did the Witschi Family—and did thousands of other Bernese farmer families—spread over the country? This fact is connected with another Swiss peculiarity. In some European states, the oldest son is the main heir and has some real advantages against the younger children—so in England and some countries elsewhere. With Bernese farmers it is just the contrary. The youngest son gets the

farm at a price as cheap as reasonably possible, and the older sons—if they don't simply stay at home unmarried—must look for a living elsewhere. If they are wealthy, the matter is a rather simple one: they buy a farm or a shop or a store. Others may fall in love with a wealthy girl and find a comfortable home. Others, less happy, may go through hard times until they settle somewhere, trying to help their children to an easier and nicer life than they had themselves.

V.

Because of the lack of documents, we do not know by which of these three ways—or by what else—the first Witschi came to Jegenstorf. We just know this was very likely about 1600. In 1653, two Witschi families were living at Jegenstorf: a rich one and a poor one. The rich man's name was Michael; he was a big farmer and no doubt one of the leaders of the village and township. The poor man's name was Peter; he was a cartwright and owned (or had rented) a quite small farm. We do not know at what degree these two men were relatives. In nearby Hindelbank, Bernhard Witschi was village mayor; he was tangled in a political uprising, the famous Farmers' War or Farmer's Riot (an uprising of the rather Conservative farming population against the Bernese Government and its measures of a kind of "New Deal" after the Great European Thirty Years' War). Bernhard Witschi served in the Farmers' Army for four days as leader of the men of his township and was fined 600 crowns (2000\$) but he paid only 30 crowns, and even 11 years afterwards only. Another Witschi, Ulrich, of Schleumen, was fined 60 crowns for having taken some part in the trouble.

In 1683, five "big farmers" of the Witschi family were living at Jegenstorf. In the said year, a big list of all farmers in the surroundings of Berne was made out for the purpose of a better control of the "bridge harvest". This was the name of a tax paid not in cash but in cereals (oats or spelt) for free use of the bridges in the neighbourhood of the City of Berne. Nicholas, Benedict and John Witschi of Jegenstorf were taxed three "measures" each (say, three bushels each); Jacob and Joseph, each half as much.

Some day in the 18th century, the "golden times" of the Bernese farmers, one Witschi of Jegenstorf held a marriage in the Main Church of the City of Berne, and it is said that the bridegroom, the bride and all guests came on

horseback. Several of them tried even to ride into the Church but of course this was not allowed.

In 1798, a French army invaded Switzerland and changed the unfortunate country into a "Helvetic Republic" governed following the same principles as revolutionary France then was. A new Constitution was issued and every man between 20 and 70 years were compelled to give an oath of allegiance. Lists were made out before, so nobody could escape. At Jegenstorf, ten Witschis of that place gave the said oath and promise, the youngest being 23, the two oldest 67. Seven were farmers, two were tailors, one was a "straw merchant".

Preceding History is printed here through the courtesy of Walter E. Witchey, Belmont, Ohio. A member of the Wheeling, W. Va. Clan of Witscheys.



PREFACE

A FEW FACTS ABOUT WITCHEY FAMILIES KNOWN TO ME.

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I have been inspired to compile this Witchey information by Mrs. Mignon (Gearhart) Gayman about 10 years ago. Cousin Minnie thought it would be nice to have a record of our Family and suggested that I write it. It has been a tremendous task to undertake and it is by no means completed by the writing of this History. There are many more families which should be found and their detailed History recorded. Cousin Minnie was not privileged to see even this much of the work completed as she passed away February 5, 1946. However, I will keep her in mind as I write this history for I know she would have enjoyed reading it. She was also greatly interested in promoting the Alexander Witchey Family Re-union and helped to start it in August of 1941.

The History of the Witchey name is given in another part of this booklet. I am permitted to print it through the courtesy of Walter E. Witchey of Belmont, Ohio. He is a member of the Witschey Clan in the Western part of Pennsylvania, in Ohio and West Virginia. This Clan holds an annual Re-union either in Oglebay Park, Wheeling, West Virginia or close to that section of the country. I am greatly indebted to Walter for this information concerning the origin of the Witchey (Witschi) name. Additional reference will be made to this Clan later in this Preface.

It will be impossible to give the complete list of all the Witchey families with whom I have contact in my search for Witchey information. I shall give only a few interesting facts, dates and names of families known to have come to America from Switzerland. This may help some-one else to complete the relationship at a later time.

I know two families of Witcheys living in the Renovo, Lock Haven and Swissdale area in Clinton County who are descendants of some Witcheys who emigrated from Switzerland at an early date. These two families are closely related as their ancestors were brother and sister.

The first of these two families consist of two sisters living in North Bend, Pa. in Clinton County. Their names are Mrs. Lola (Welsh) Wallace and Mrs. Amelia (Welsh) Robbins. Mrs. Wallace has furnished me with the infor-

mation concerning her family. The great-grandmother of these two sisters was Elizabeth Witchey who came to this country with her brother John. Elizabeth was born in 1806 near Berne, Switzerland and died April 22, 1887. She is buried at Swissdale near Lock Haven, Pa.

This Elizabeth Witchey was given all the Free Education available and some Religious Education that she was able to obtain in Switzerland. She came to America in 1826 with her brother John. Before sailing from Switzerland she had expected to be a Missionary to the Indians but her plans changed while on the way to America. She met a man by the name of Nicholas Suiter (Suter - Sutter) on the boat as she was coming to America. Elizabeth was married to Nicholas Suiter soon after they came to America in 1826. From 1826 to 1841 Elizabeth conducted religious services in the homes of "The German Settlement" of Swissdale. She also conducted many funeral services as late as 1870 when no preacher was available. For over 50 years she was a member of the Evangelical Church in this German Settlement.

Elizabeth had two sisters and one brother according to the record received from Mrs. Wallace. Their names are Katie, Martha and the above mentioned John. She had a daughter by the name of Elizabeth who was married to Jacob Glise. A daughter of Elizabeth and Jacob Glise by the name of Mary Ellen married John I. Welsh. The latter were the parents of Mrs. Lola (Welsh) Wallace and Mrs. Amelia (Welsh) Robbins of North Bend, Pa.

John Witchey (Elizabeth (Witchey) Suiter's brother) married Catherine Hevner (Hevener). Their children are as follows:- John who went West; Mary who married Mr. Mulliner of Jersey Shore; Phoebe who married William Chilson and went West; Margaret who married James McGill; Catherine who married William Johnson and lived at Whetham; William who married Celia McGee and Nancy Jane who married Alexander Daugherty. A Mrs. Paine of South Renovo and a Mrs. Wentz of Lock Haven and a Mrs. Maggie Farley of Lock Haven, Pa. are descendants of this John Witchey. Mrs. Farley says that her grandfather John Witchey and his sister Mrs. Nicholas Suiter (Elizabeth Witchey) came to this country from Switzerland.

The other Witchey Family of Renovo, Pa. is that of John Edward Witchey. A few years ago John, his wife and some of their family attended our Alexander Witchey Family Re-union held in Altoona, Pa. John Edward has told me that he remembered a few things which his father told him about his grand-father and grand-mother. John

was then 10 or 12 years of age. He said that his grandfather Witchey's name was John and his grand-mother's maiden name was Hevner (Hevener). He speaks of his grand-father John coming from Switzerland and first going to California, then coming back to settle in Lockport near Lock Haven, Pa. in Clinton County. John Edward tells about his uncle John going West and that he was killed by the Indians. John Edward's story seems to correspond with that of Mrs. Lola (Welsh) Wallace with but one exception and that is in the name of John Edward's father's name being omitted in the list of Mrs. Wallace.

John Edward Witchey's father's name was Samuel. The brothers and sisters of Samuel are William, John (who went West), Nancy, Phoebe Evelina and Mary. Samuel was married three times. First to Mrs. Rhone, Second to Miss Nelson and Third to Mrs. Amanda (Bottoff) Brown. John Edward is the son to the third marriage. John Edward is married to Martha Johnson and they have twelve children, namely; Clarence A., Samuel, William Howard (Killed in World War II), John Edison, Percy Eugene, Charles, Lillian Mary, Raymond Leroy, Arthur, Daisy and Henry. John Edward has a brother Samuel and a sister (Mrs. Clarence Lupro of Sterling Run, Pa.)

In checking the records of these two Renovo area Families, there is a close similarity in their records that I would say they are related and are cousins through Elizabeth (Witchey) Suiter and her brother John Witchey.

Another family of Witcheys known in the Central part of the state is that of Charles Witchey of Salladaysburg, Pa. Charles father's name is William This William is a son of the William who was a brother of Samuel and Samuel was the father of John Edward mentioned in the above paragraph. Charles then is a second cousin of John Edward of Renovo, Pa.

The Witschey Clan near Wheeling, W. Va. mentioned in the second paragraph of this History retain the letter "s" in their name similar to the original Swiss way of spelling the name as you will notice in the origin of the name. Walter of Belmont, Ohio spells his name as most of us do, just, Witchey. The members of this Clan are for the most part, descendants of John Witschey of Jegenstorf who came to America in 1853. The families are scattered through-out the eastern part of Ohio, the western part of Pennsylvania and in West Virginia.

John married Maria (Mary) Hafliger on July 4, 1833. Mary was a daughter of John Ulrich Hafliger from Nieder-Grasswil in the parish of Seeberg, a village situated 18

miles Northeast of Berne and 10 miles from Jegenstorf. The Haflingers were an old family of Niedor-Grasswil.

From among the many families of this Clan in addition to Walter E. Witchey of Belmont, Ohio who with his wife Hazel attended our Alexander Witchey Family 1951 Reunion is that of Daniel S. Witschey of New Martinsville, W. Va. He and his three daughters, Naoma, Margaret and Elizabeth and his sister Mrs. Lucy (Witschey) Frum and her husband E. B. Frum were at our 1952 Reunion in Steven's Park near Tyrone, Pa.

The children of John Witschi and Mary Haflinger are Anna, born August 29, 1834; Anna Maria, born November 5, 1835; John born January 10, 1837; Verona, born August 14, 1838; Jacob (James), born August 17, 1840; Frederick, born August 9, 1845; and Rosina, born February 6, 1851.

John's father was Jacob, born 1779, married to Barbara Rufenacht from Stettlen near Berne. Their children were Anna Barbara, John (above mentioned), Elizabeth, Anna and Jacob. Some of the family came to America at different dates. John came in 1853 with a passport dated October 22 of that year. John's brother Jacob came to America and the United States in 1860.

Going back a little farther in this Clan's record, John's grand-father and Jacob's father was Nicholas who married Elsbeth Aorni, of Bollingen near Berne not far from Hettiswil and Jegenstorf. Nicholas had nine children but only three of them had descendants. They were Christian, Jakob (Jacob) and Bendicht. This Jacob is not my ancestor as I will show later.

Another family of Witcheys about whom I know very little is that of Fred J. Witchie of 1265 W. Main Street, Zanesville, Ohio. In a letter to my sister Miss Ethel Witchey of Osceola Mills, Pa. this man tells of being born and raised in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He was born in 1890. His father's name was Fred. He had a brother by the name of William. He has a cousin who is on the stage. Her name is Katherine Riggs and travels under the name of Riggs and Witchie. She can be reached by addressing her in care of the Lambs Club, New York City. This man, Fred J. Witchie, says that there are a few more Witchies living in Minneapolis beside his own family. He also knows of another Witchie in Buffalo, New York who spells his name in the original Swiss way, Witschi. This Fred spells his name a little different than the rest of us do. Perhaps further research will uncover the fact that this man may be related to some of the other branches.

HISTORY OF OUR OWN WITCHEY CLAN THROUGH JACOB AND ALEXANDER

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To the many descendants of Jacob and Marguerite Witchey, I apologize for the scanty descriptions of some of the branches. The information was not available to give as much detail as I would like to have done in each branch.

The copy of the Passport printed on another page of this booklet shows that Jacob and Marguerite Witchey (my great-grand-parents) emigrated from Berne, Switzerland to the United States in the year 1834. They sailed from Havre on July 31, 1834 on the vessel Jazoe. They came with nine of their children and settled in Locust Valley in Schuylkill County near Mahanoy City, Pa.

The nine children who came to this country with Jacob and Marguerite were Jacob, Frederick, John, J. Alexander, Albert, Gottlieb, Mary, Elizabeth and Rosanna. An older son, Rudolph, came to this country at an earlier date.

Jacob Witchey, the father, was born in 1784 in the Bueren Canton, Berne, Switzerland and died February 7, 1859 in Locust Valley, Schuylkill County, Pa. His wife, Marguerite, was born in 1795 in Bueren Canton, Berne, Switzerland and died in March 1872 in Mahanoy City, Pa. I have no information concerning their home life or Jacob's work in Switzerland. I am told that they lived in a small village called Hindelbank near Berne in Switzerland before coming to the United States. I am also told that each Canton in Switzerland had certain emblems to represent that Canton similar to the flags which each State has in this country. The emblem to represent Bueren Canton is the Bear which comes from the German word Bueren itself. I have a picture showing the house in which Jacob and his family lived. The house is near a large covered bridge and in front of the house hangs a large black Bear. It seems that this house is the only one in the neighborhood with this emblem hanging in front of it. I am told by Cousin Inez A. (Apgar) Bruce of 423 Cohasset Drive, Youngstown, Ohio that friends of her's travelled through Switzerland just recently and they took pictures of this same house which is still standing. It is now used as a Court House and as a jail with living apartments above the Court Rooms. We do know then that the emblem of the Bear was the emblem of our grand-parents home Canton, the Bueren Canton.

COPY OF PASS PORT FOR JACOB AND MARGURETTE
WITCHEY AND THEIR FAMILY EMIGRATING FROM
SWITZERLAND TO THE UNITED STATES.

No. 11 330

George Rice Courteville And Company,
Emigration Company to the United States.

Received from Mr. Jacob Witchey the sum of four hundred ninety-five francs for the price of passage of two adults and nine children on the vessel Jazoe, Captain Forhard, going to New York.

Havre, July 31, 1834.
George Rice Courteville and Company.

The passengers are obliged to pay the sum of their passage the day of their embarkment and to be on board 48 hours before the departure, the food to be cut up hereafter for each person.

Biscuits -----	pounds
Potatoes -----	”
Salted Meat -----	”
Cheese -----	”
Butter -----	”
Rice -----	”
Salt -----	”
Peas -----	”
Vinegar -----	litres
Red Wine -----	”
Brandy -----	”

A Stamp was fixed to the letter. It is a circle with the words Canton, Bern at the top of the circle, a figure “1” in the center and the word Batz at the bottom of the circle and under the “1”.

This Passport copy was secured through the courtesy of Mrs. Rose Anstock, daughter of Gottlieb Witchey, a brother of Alexander Witchey.

THE RECORD OF THE FAMILY IN AMERICA

RUDOLPH, the oldest son of Jacob and Marguerite Witchey is said to have come to this country with his two sons at an earlier date than his parents. No definite information is given of his whereabouts. It is thought that he did not like it here in this country and returned to Berne, Switzerland shortly after his parents arrived in the United States.

JACOB, the second son is reported not to have married. I have no definite information about him or dates available for his birth or death.

FREDERICK, a third son was born in 1806 in Berne, Switzerland and died in 1885 in Beaver Valley, Pa. He was married to Elizabeth Chipe. The children of Frederick were Gottlieb, Elizabeth, William, Katie, Albert, Daniel and Charles. Frederick and his family lived on a farm in Beaver Valley having come here from Locust Valley. This farm is still in the possession of his son Albert's family.

The only contact for the record of Frederick's family is through a grand-son, Albert Ross Witchey, now living in Rock Glenn, Pa. Albert Ross is a son of Gottlieb who was a watch-maker. Gottlieb took up the study of watch-making with a Swiss watch-maker direct from Switzerland. He had a reputation as a good watch-maker. Albert Ross having learned it from his father, follows the trade now in his retired relations to the Railroad Company with whom he worked as a telegraph operator until his retirement. Gottlieb is the only member of Frederick's family about whom I have any information. He was born April 10, 1845 in Locust Valley, Pa. and died July 1923. He was married to Elizabeth Ervin on July 4, 1872. Their children are Albert Ross, Amanda, Fannie and Lizzie.

Albert Ross Witchey was born in Beaver Valley on August 17, 1873; married to Edith Elnora Harmon. Their children are Fred Benjamin Witchey, Violet (Witchey) Yost, Blanch (Witchey) Rhoades, Evely (Witchey) Mensinger and Verna Catherine Witchey, a school teacher in Philadelphia.

JOHN, a fourth son of Jacob and Marguerite Witchey was born May 1, 1815 in Berne, Switzerland and died in December 1896. He was married, first, to Mary Dyer November 23, 1845 in Pottsville by Rev. Minnig. The children of John and Mary Dyer Witchey with some facts about them follow:-

First, Sarah Elizabeth Witchey was born October 21, 1846 and married to Henry Harrop. I have had thirteen years of correspondence with their son William H. Harrop, 3 N. Kirkland Ave., Upper Darby, Pa. who is a retired Post Office Clerk. William has given me most of my information concerning John's family.

Second, Rosanna was born February 4, 1848, died May 17, 1855.

Third, Albert was born November 23, 1849. No other information.

Fourth, Mary Ann was born March 23, 1851, married to Mr. Bowen.

Fifth, Charles John was born October 7, 1853, married to Cathryn Sherman. Charles died in 1892. I have had several years of interesting correspondence with two of their children; Mrs. Bella Bretz and her sister Mrs. Mary Wooden both living at 2542 N. Jessup Street, Philadelphia 33, Pa.

Sixth, Samuel Harris died in infancy.

Seventh, William Franklin was born December 27, 1857, married to Delia Ryan. They had four children, Lulu (married to Samuel Williamson); Florence (married to George Hoffman) and living at 30 N. 6th St., Reading, Pa.; Hazel who lives in Nevada and Frank who served with U. S. Army and was stationed at Fort Meyer, Va.

Frank was S/Sgt. in the Third Cavalry outfit of the Army. He was the Bugler in the outfit. Seventeen years after the close of World War I on Armistice Day when the ceremonies of the day had ended, Sgt. Frank Witchey sounded taps beside the tomb of the Unknown Soldier in the National Cemetery at Arlington. He also sounded the last bugle call for President Woodrow Wilson, General Leonard Wood, William Jennings Bryan and Ex-President William Howard Taft at their burial. Sgt. Frank Witchey had previously sounded Taps at the grave of the Unknown soldier of World War I in 1921. One of his comrades in the Third Cavalry stationed at Fort Meyer, Va., said of Sgt. Frank, "Not many people were dry-eyed when he got through sounding Taps". After blowing Taps for the Unknown Soldier Sgt. Frank purchased the bugle that he used for the sum of \$2.50 and had it gold-plated. He then kept a record engraved on it of all the important ceremonies at which he used the bugle.

S/Sgt. Frank Witchey died October 7, 1945 at the age of 53 in the Walter Reed Hospital in Washington. He was

buried at Arlington National Cemetery where he had sounded Taps for many heroes and notables of our country.

Another son of William Franklin Witchey is also named William and lives in New York City.

For information concerning the family of William Franklin Witchey, I have had some correspondence with Mrs. Florence Hoffman, who is an Interior Decorator and lives at 30 N. 6th Street, Reading, Pa.

The eighth son of John and Mary Dyer Witchey is Jacob Elmer. He was born April 5, 1863 and married to Hattie Leona Dill. Their children are Jessie Ethel who died in infancy, Ernest Leroy, Floyd Elmer, William Ray, Hattie Elizabeth (Witchey) Vincent, Hazel Mae (Witchey) DeMotte, Jacob Earl, John David, Glenn Elonadus, and Mary Belle (Witchey) Groome. The family is scattered throughout the Western part of our country through Kansas, Oklahoma and California. Jacob Elmer lived in Arlington, La Sierra St., California when I last heard from him.

Going back again to John Witchey, the son of Jacob and Marguerite, John was married the second time to Diena Butts. I only know of one child to this Union, namely, Elizabeth who married William Evans. They had a daughter by the name of Katherine who is married to Charles M. Ball.

J. ALEXANDER was another son of Jacob and Marguerite. He was my grand-father. He was born October 22, 1822 in Bueren Canton, Berne, Switzerland, and died March 2, 1905 in Osceola Mills, Clearfield Co. Pa. Alexander was married April 6, 1845 to Salome Hauver who was born in the Alsace Lorraine part of Germany on June 14, 1827.

Salome Hauver was the daughter of John and Mary Hauver both of whom were born in Alsace Lorraine Province, Germany. They came to this country and settled in Luzerne County near Mahanoy City, Pa. Salome Hauver, wife of J. Alexander Witchey was but a small girl when she came to this country with her parents. Her father was killed in the mines at Gowen when he was quite an elderly man. Salome's mother was an invalid for many years and made her home with Salome after her husband was killed in the mines. Salome died March 1, 1906 at the home of Mrs. Sarah Hawkins in Philipsburg, Pa. She is buried with with her husband, Alexander, in the cemetery at Osceola Mills, Pa.

I am told by Albert R. Witchey of Rock Glenn that his grand-father Frederick and my grand-father, Alexander,

spent a lot of time together on Frederick's farm in Beaver Valley. Albert also tells me that Alexander went into the Beaver Valley region due to his knowledge of the Anthracite (or hard Coal). Alexander became the Superintendent of the Gowen Colliery when it was first opened. He was also Superintendent of the Gowen Breaker which was built by the Rossemols of Philadelphia. This colliery and breaker are still being used in the Gowen mining area.

I have heard my father, J. Frank Witchey, the only son of Alexander and Salome speak of this Gowen Colliery. In fact he has told it many times at home that he worked at it, first as a breaker boy at the age of 8 years when he picked slate as the coal came down the shoot. My father worked also in the colliery mines tending the trap door. He related the story many times as to how he learned to write by writing on the black-board which was used at the trap door to leave messages for the driver who hauled the coal from the mines to the breaker. He was of course much older then than he was as a breaker boy. My father was a good writer. I wish I could write as well as he did. Whatever other education he had he received it through his own initiative and desire to learn for he had very little schooling as a boy. In his older years he advanced in his education until he was able to take the examination for Mine Foreman. He failed several times but did not give up until one day he passed the examination and was given his Mine Foreman's certificate. He was Mine Foreman for many years in his own mines in the Bituminous or Soft Coal field.

After living for some time in Beaver Valley and in New Philadelphia, Pa. and also in Black Creek, Alexander Witchey moved with his family into the soft coal or Bituminous Field. He settled near Clearfield on a farm and later moved to Osceola Mills in Clearfield County where he and my father, Frank, did some prospecting for coal in that region. He operated some coal mines in that section.

The detailed family record for the Alexander Witchey Family is given in a separate section of this booklet with the pictures of Alexander and Salome printed in the beginning of the record. The picture of my father, J. Franklin Witchey, is also given in the front of the booklet as I am dedicating the Booklet to him as the only son of Alexander and Salome. These pictures are the best available at this time for this occasion.

ALBERT is another son of Jacob and Marguerite Witchey. There are no definite dates of birth and death

known about Albert. The only information I have about him is that he married Louise Flail (Flayel) of Mahanoy City, Pa. Perhaps Albert and his family live in or near that city as I am told there are many Witcheys living in that place.

GOTTLIEB is another son of Jacob and Marguerite Witchey. Dates of birth and death are unknown. He married Elizabeth Hauver a sister of Salome and wife of Alexander Witchey. Gottlieb and Elizabeth had two children as far as I know. Their names are William and Rose. Both of them live in Mahanoy City. Rose married a Mr. Anstock. It is through the courtesy of Mrs Rose Anstock that I have a copy of the Passport showing the passage of Jacob and Marguerite Witchey to this country in 1834.

Turning to the daughters of Jacob and Marguerite Witchey, I have very little information about them. There are no definite dates of their births or deaths. For that reason I do not know the exact order of their places in the family. Their names are Mary, Elizabeth and Rosanna (Rosetta).

MARY was married to Peter Rau of Philadelphia. Two of their children of whom I have any record are William and George. The best description of the RAU family comes to me in a letter from Rev. William C. Skeath of Norristown, Pa. Rev. Skeath belongs to the Skeath branch of our family tree which I shall discuss later. Rev. Skeath writes as follows: "I remember a sister of my grandmother who lived on Girard Avenue, Philadelphia and whose married name was Rau. Her son George was a celebrated photographer and especially of lantern slides. George was a great traveler in search of pictures. I remember one day in Memorial Hall, Philadelphia finding a mummy which he had brought back from Egypt and presented to the museum. I very distinctly recollect a visit to the Rau home when I was about six years old. Mrs. Rau my father's aunt was quite old. She vividly remembered her girl-hood and talked about it freely. She spoke German and French and English. With great delight she showed my father and me a book George had sent home to her from Switzerland.

George Rau had gone to Berne; visited all the scenes of his mother's early years; had taken pictures of it all—the old mill her father had run, the house in which she had lived, the streets etc. of interest. The pictures were about 8 X 10 inches and of superb photography. These he had bound into a volume and had a native of the village write

on the fly-leaf, the village song. It was in German and was titled, "The Schweizer Heimweh". I can still remember the old lady's face glowing as she showed it to us. Tears filled her eyes as she read and re-read the poem". I tried to secure this poem even by sending to Germany for it.

A nurse in the United States Army from my church in Trevorton, Pa. and stationed in Germany tried to get it for me even by visiting Berne, Switzerland. She secured the Music arranged for a Band instrument but no words. However, just recently since coming to Williamsport, Pa. I have secured the words of this song through the courtesy of Mr. Cyril Assmus of Williamsport who found them through the Research Department of The James V. Brown Library of this city. Mr. Assmus has travelled extensively throughout the world. He knows the life and people of Germany and Switzerland and speaks German fluently. He was immediately familiar with the words of the Schweizers Heimweh and recognized it under the sub-title, "Herz, Mein Herz, Warum So Traurig". I am including the words of this song in the German language as the tie which bound our ancestors to their home-land even while enjoying the blessings of America. The words are found in the front part of this Booklet.

Some of George Rau's pictures are still in the family possessions of many of our branches. I have some of them which were given to me by Aunt Sarah Hawkins. One is a picture of the homestead of Jacob and Marguerite in Berne, Switzerland to which I referred earlier in this History.

I am told by Rev. Skeath also that William Rau, brother of George was in the Coal business. I have often heard my father speak of him. In fact I believe my father shipped coal through William Rau from Osceola Mills, Pa.

ELIZABETH, the second daughter of Jacob and Marguerite to be mentioned, was married to William Hermann. I have no record at all of this family other than the married name.

ROSANNA (Rosetta) is the last of Jacob and Marguerite's children to be mentioned in my Historical record of the family. The old family Bible gives the name as Rosetta. Rev. William Skeath's record gives the name as Rosanna. She was married to Henry Skeath. No dates are available for the record. Their children are James, Gottlieb, John, Albert, Daniel, Sadie and Margaret. Mrs. Bella Bretz of Philadelphia gives me the following information about Rosanna (Rosetta) Witchey Skeath. She

writes, "Mother Skeath lived in Locust Valley near Mahonoy City. Everybody called her Mother Skeath for she was always ready to help anyone in need. Mother Skeath made a salve and some bitters that were sold in the drug store at Mahonoy City as Mother Skeath's Bitters and Mother Skeath's Salve, both of which were very popular".

The only one of the Rosanna Skeath family about whom I have any information is that of James Skeath. James was married to Elizabeth J. Woodward in 1878. There were nine children to this union but only four are still living. They are first, Rev. William Charles Skeath a retired minister of the Philadelphia Methodist Conference now living at 565 Haws Avenue, Norristown, Pa. Rev. Skeath was married, first to Ray Sherlock and second, to Marie Hoffman. Children to these unions are Catherine E. Beers and Marion A. Friend.

The second child of Rosanna and James Skeath is Marion S. (Skeath) Kessler of Ferndale 20, Michigan. The third child is James Milton Skeath, Professor in Lycoming College, Williamsport, Pa. whom I knew personally during my College days. The fourth child is Ronald Woodward Skeath whereabouts unknown.

My ancestors, Jacob and Marguerite Witchey, do not seem to be related to any of the other families previously mentioned unless their relationship can be traced through some of the branches where information was not available or through other connections in Switzerland. Many names are similar which makes it hard to connect the different branches. Families with incomplete records may be found by someone in the future who may desire to know his or her ancestors.

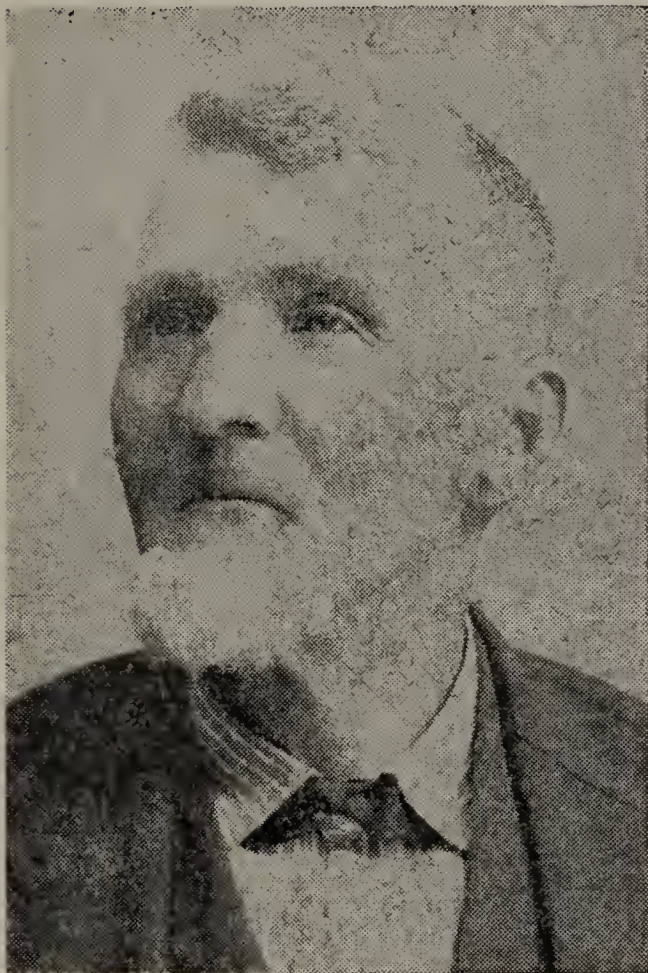
In conclusion, a Swiss girl told me one time, "You look Swiss. You could go to Switzerland and would not be taken for a foreigner". As Witcheys we still retain the fine qualities and characteristics of the Swiss people which we should be proud to possess and to pass them on to the generations of the Witcheys yet to come. My hope is that this little history of the family will draw all Witchey Families closer together as one large family that we might become better acquainted with each other.

Rev. Harry W. Witchey
322 Campbell Street,
Williamsport, Pa.

**DESCENDANTS OF
J. ALEXANDER AND SALOME WITCHEY**

**HISTORICAL, RECORD OF NAMES, BIRTHS, DEATHS,
MARRIAGES, ADDRESSES.**

NOTE OF EXPLANATION: Numbers in Parenthesis ()
indicate the Generation.



J. ALEXANDER WITCHEY,
Born Oct. 22, 1822 in Bue-
ren Canton, Berne, Switzer-
land. Died March 2, 1905
in Osceola Mills, Clearfield
Co., Pa.
Married: Salome (Sarah)
Hauver on April 6, 1845.



Salome was born June 14,
1827 in Greisbach Prov.
Alsace Empire, Prussia.
She died March 1, 1906 in
Philipsburg, Pa.

Children:

- (1) Mary Elizabeth Witchey
B. 3/1/1846 in Middleport, Pa.
D. 5/14/1846 in infancy.

- (1) Mary Ann Witchey
B. 2/14/1848 in Middleport, Pa.
D. 9/26/1920 in Hambleton, W. Va.
Married: 1st, F. William Burkhardt
10/1/1868 at Williamsport, Pa.
2nd, William Harry Smith, 1884.

Children:

- (2) Minnie Charlotte Burkhardt
B. 7/14/1869, Williamsport, Pa.
Married: William C. Apgar, 4/21/1898
Address: 423 Cohasset Drive, Youngstown, O.

Children:

- (3) Rosa Charlotte Apgar
B. 6/23/1899, Philadelphia, Pa.
Married: Hubert Furst, 7/2/26
Address: R. D. 7, North Canton, Ohio.

Children:

- (4) June Priscilla Furst
B. 12/12/28, Chicago, Ill.
Married: 1st, J. B. Hossman, 5/18/46
2nd, Dale W. Brumbaugh, 6/2/51
Address: R. D. 7, North Canton, Ohio.

Children

- (5) Charlotte Rose Hossman
B. 9/9/47
- (5) Dale Brumbaugh (Twin)
B. 11/28/1951, Canton Ohio.
- (5) Dean Brumbaugh (Twin)
B. 11/28/1951, Canton Ohio.
- (4) William Apgar Furst
B. 6/14/37, Chicago, Ill.
- (3) Inez Minnie Apgar
B. 10/27/05, Lewistown, Pa.
Married: David Bruce, 11/22/26
Address: 423 Cohasset Dr., Youngstown, O.

Children:

- (4) Margaret Charlotte Bruce
B. 6/26/27, Youngstown, Ohio.
Married: Thomas Howe, 9/20/47
Address: 1627 Kensington Ave.,
Youngstown, Ohio.

Children:

- (5) Kathleen Howe
B. 2/23/48, Youngstown, Ohio.
- (4) Ellen Louise Bruce
B. 11/9/29 Youngstown, Ohio.
Married: 1st, Richard Sutch, 11/9/47
2nd, Guy Dick Wright, 8/25/51
Address: 56 E. Woodbine, Youngstown, O.

Children:

- (5) Linda Lee Sutch
B. 8/16/48.
- (2) Cora Rosetta Burkhardt
B. 7/27/1874, at New London, Schuylkill Co.,
Pa.
D. 12/21/1939, in Hambleton, W. Va.
Married: Edward Thomas, August, 1900
- (2) George Herbert Smith
B. 6/4/1886 at Philipsburg, Pa.
D. 4/19/45
Married: 1st, Margaret Williams, 1904
2nd, Cornelia Hubert, 11/25/1920 at New
Brunswick, N. J.

Children:

- (3) Wm. Herbert Smith
B. 2/12/05, at Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: Louise Guise
Address: 1228 Stanton Ave., Parkersburg,
W. Va.

Child:

- (4) George Herbert Smith, 2nd
B. 6/14/1941, Parkersburg, W. Va.
- (3) Margaret Smith
B. 3/18/12, Mount Carmel, Pa.
Married: John Thomas Stethers, 7/22/1941
at Philadelphia, Pa.
Address: 1540 West Ave., Ocean City, N. J.

Children:

- (4) Nancy Jane Stethers
B. 8/30/46
- (4) Emily Sue Stethers
B. 2/13/48

- (1) Catharine Witchey
B. 5/31/1850 at Middleport, Pa.
D. 3/27/1898, Jeddo, Pa.
Married: Wm. Seiwell

Children:

- (2) Eva Ninetta Seiwell
B. 3/2/1879, Gowan, Pa.
D. 3/1/1949, Philadelphia, Pa.
Married: John George Meitrott, 9/8/1900

Children:

- (3) Walter George Meitrott
B. 9/13/01, West Hazleton, Pa.
D. 11/25/49, Philadelphia, Pa.
Married: Martha Elizabeth Wall, 6/26/26
Address: 3508 Gaul Street, Phila. 34, Pa.

Children:

- (4) Ethel Jean Meitrott
B. 4/10/27, Philadelphia, Pa.
- (4) Walter John Meitrott
B. 9/26/29, Philadelphia, Pa.
- (3) Eva May Meitrott
B. 1/19/04, Hazelton, Pa.
Married: 1st, Joseph Yourn, 3/24/21
2nd, William Funk, 6/19/40, Phila., Pa.
Address: 4138 N. Reese St., Phila. 40, Pa.

Children:

- (4) Thelma Yourn
B. 12/16/24, Philadelphia, Pa.
Married: Ralph Weirback, 7/12/41
Address: 2503 N. 28th St., Phila. 32, Pa.
- (5) Shirley Elaine Weirback
B. 6/23/42, Philadelphia, Pa.
- (5) Arthur Eugene Weirback
B. 2/19/48, Philadelphia, Pa.
- (4) June Yourn
B. 10/24/31, Philadelphia, Pa.
Not married.
- (4) Alice Yourn
B. 12/23/33, Philadelphia, Pa.

- (4) William Funk
B. 6/26/41, Philadelphia, Pa.
- (4) Joyce Funk
B. 10/5/42, Philadelphia, Pa.
- (3) Foster John Meitrott
B. 5/28/07, Hazleton, Pa.
Married: Elizabeth Pottinger, 12/18/35
Address: 144 Adams St., Rochester, Pa.

Children:

- (4) Anna Elizabeth Meitrott
B. 5/23/37, Chambersburg, Pa.
- (4) Foster Clark Meitrott
B. 6/2/41, Chambersburg, Pa.
- (3) Adam Henry Meitrott
B. 12/6/09, Hazleton, Pa.
Married: Gertrude McKeown, 9/2/38
Address: 3506 Gaul St., Philadelphia 34, Pa.

Children:

- (4) Roberta Ann Meitrott
B. 9/30/42, Philadelphia, Pa.
- (4) Herbert Adam Meitrott
B. 3/30/48, Philadelphia, Pa.
- (4) Richard Adam Meitrott
B. 1/9/52, Philadelphia, Pa.
- (3) Florence L. Meitrott
B. 1/30/12, Hazleton, Pa.
Married: Frank Bailey, 3/21/35
Address: 640 W. Indiana Ave., Phila. 33, Pa.

Children:

- (4) Edward Bailey
B. 5/5/36, Philadelphia, Pa.
- (4) Robert Bailey
B. 1/29/38, Philadelphia, Pa.
- (3) Harry Willard Meitrott
B. 6/18/18, Hazleton, Pa.
Married: Helen Waterson, 6/12/47
Address: 131 Wash. St., Binghamton, N. Y.

Children:

- (4) Garry William Meitrott
B. 6/6/50, Binghamton, N. Y.
- (4) Melody Beth Meitrott
B. 6/21/52, Binghamton, N. Y.
- (3) Thelma Alice Meitrott
B. 9/27/22, Philadelphia, Pa.
Address: 35 Augusta St., Irvington, N. J.
Not married.
- (2) Alexander Siewell
No information available for his personal record.

Children: No information available except names.

- (3) Leroy Siewell
- (3) Donald Siewell
- (1) M. Elizabeth Witchey
B. 9/7/1852, New Philadelphia, Pa.
D. Unknown.
Married: Michael Frye
Address: Ringtown, Pa.

Children:

- (2) Owl Frye (Ollie) (Maybe Arthur)
Information not available except his wife's first name is Cora.
Address: Ringtown, Pa.

Children:

- (3) Mabel Frye
Birth and Death dates not available.
Married: Herbert Biermann
Address: 402 W. Coal St., Shenandoah, Pa.

Children: No dates available.

- (4) Lois Bierman
- (4) Rhea Bierman
- (4) Herbert Biermann, Jr.
- (3) Blanche Frye
Information not available except that she married a Mr. Reigle.
Address: Unknown.

Children :

- (4) William Reigle
Dates not available.
Married: Not known.
Address: 117 Upland Ave., Reading, Pa.

No dates available for any of these children.

- (4) Harold Reigle
- (4) Ralph Reigle
- (4) Calvin Reigle
- (4) Charles Reigle
- (4) Blanche Reigle
- (3) Edna Arlene Frye
B. 9/9/1902, Lost Creek, Pa.
Married: Ralph Vitalia Reich, 7/15/1922
Address: 515 Bingaman St., Reading, Pa.

Children :

- (4) Gerald Ralph Reich
B. 12/13/1923, Ashland, Pa.
Married: Christine Homan, 6/24/1951
Address: 515 Bingaman St., Reading, Pa.
- (4) Nancy Edna Reich
B. 8/3/1935, Ashland, Pa.
At home.
- (3) Clara Frye
No dates available.
Married: George Franks
Address: Unknown.

Children: No dates available.

- (4) Helene Franks
- (4) Jean Franks (Twin)
- (4) Joan Franks (Twin)
- (3) Merle Frye
No dates available.
Married: Wilson Levan
Address: Unknown.

Children: No dates available.

- (4) Betty Levan
- (4) Donald Levan
- (4) Delores Levan

(3) Faye Frye
No dates available.
Married: Boley Guhosky
Address: Ringtown, Pa.

(2) Burton (Birdie) Franklin Frye
B. 1/17/1874, Beaver Valley
D. 5/6/1947
Married: Clara Rosella Mensinger, 12/25/1896
Address: 117 East Main St., Ringtown, Pa.

Children:

(3) Eva Jeanetta Frye
B. 9/10/1898, Beaver Valley
D. 11/13/1948
Married: Guy V. Horne, 2/16/1918
Address: Ringtown, Pa.

Children:

(4) Burton Samuel Horne
B. 1/14/1920, Ringtown, Pa.
Married: Mary Purcell, 10/30/1948
Address: Houserville, Pa.

Children:

(5) Dorothy Marie Horne
B. 8/29/1949, Dansville, Pa.

(5) Thomas Guy Horne
B. 3/20/1951, Danville, Pa.

(5) Colleen Ann Horne
B. 7/4/1952, Bellefonte, Pa.

(4) Ned Victor Horne
B. 4/30/1922, Ringtown, Pa.
Married: Barbara Elizabeth Freulich
6/15/1946
Address: Hagerstown, Md., R. D.

Children: None mentioned.

(4) Lyle Ronald Horne
B. 9/22/1927, Ringtown, Pa.
Married: Marcella Helen Yadusky,
9/21/49
Address: Ringtown, Pa.

Children:

(5) Lynelle Rae Horne
B. 10/8/1951, Shenandoah, Pa.

- (4) Carl Lynn Horne
B. 3/8/1935, Danville, Pa.
Married: Janet Broscius, 2/ /1952
Address: Ringtown, Pa.

Children:

- (5) Carla Jean Horne
B. 7/7/1952, Ashland, Pa.
- (3) Nellie May Frye
B. 4/9/1900, Beaver Valley, Pa.
Married: Chester Franklin Horne,
10/15/1920
Address: 117 E. Main St., Ringtown, Pa.

Children:

- (4) William Frederick Horne
B. 6/23/1924, Ringtown, Pa.
Married: Marion Klingerman, 3/21/1943
Address: 302 Smyrna Ave., Gwinhurst,
Wilmington, Delaware.

Children:

- (5) William James Horne
B. 10/6/1944, Ringtown, Pa.
- (5) Thomas Robert Horne
B. 7/1/1948, Wilmington, Delaware
- (4) Betty Mary Horne
B. 8/10/1927, Ringtown, Pa.
Married: William Daniel Grow, 11/13/46
Address: Ringtown, Pa.

Children:

- (5) William Lawrence Grow
B. 9/15/1947, Ringtown, Pa.
- (5) Nancy Jane Grow
B. 2/17/1950
- (4) Robert Ronald Horne
B. 1/11/1931, Ringtown, Pa.
Married: Margaret Elizabeth Miller
11/25/1950
Address: 414 E. Oak St., Frackville, Pa.

Children:

- (5) Janeen Marie Horne
B. 10/22/1951, Ashland, Pa.

(4) Ruby Ann Horne
B. 10/13/1935, Ringtown, Pa.
Single.
Address: 117 E. Main St., Ringtown, Pa.

(3) Herbert Helecious Frye
B. 6/14/1901, Ringtown, Pa.
Married: Sadie Zella Fritz, 10/21/1922
Address: 1036 South Elmora Ave.,
Elizabeth, N. J.
No. Children.

(3) Michael Ray Frye
B. 3/28/1905, Ringtown, Pa.
Married: Edna Angeline Klingerman,
12/24/1924
Address: 1540 W. 4th St., Williamsport, Pa.

Children:

(4) Ted Ray Frye
B. 1/1/1933, Ringtown, Pa.
In the U. S. Navy.

(4) Mary Joan Frye
B. 12/5/1935, Ringtown, Pa.

(3) Samuel Leroy Frye
B. 2/12/1906, Ringtown, Pa.
Married: Not given.
Address: Alabaster, Michigan

Children:

(4) Samuel has four boys, Leo, Thomas, Jon
and Donald. Dates of Birth not available.

(3) Ralph Burton Frye
B. 3/9/1908, Ringtown, Pa.
D. 4/4/1908

(3) Harold Edwin Frye
B. 7/15/1910, Ringtown, Pa.
Married: Helen Kerestus, 11/20/1924
Address: McKeansburg, Pa.

Children:

(4) Harold has one boy and two girls,
Names are Harold, Shirley and Sandra.
Birth dates not available.

- (3) Paul Victor Frye
B. 6/22/1916, Ringtown, Pa.
Married: Not given.
Address 2275 Lyde Place,
Scotch Plains, N. J.

Children:

- (4) Judy-ann Frye
B. / /1942
- (4) Sandra Jean Frye
B. / /1944
- (2) Harry Frye
Died in childhood
- (2) Robert Edward Frye
B. 1/12/1886, Beaver Valley
Married: Anna Elnora Fuhrman, 1/6/1906
Address: East Main Street, Ringtown, Pa.

Children:

- (3) Ada Amanda Frye
B. 3/3/1906, Ringtown, Pa.
Married: Paul Sparr
Address: 624 South 17½ St., Reading, Pa.
- (3) Helen Elizabeth Frye
B. 11/24/1908, Shenandoah, Pa.
Married: Ceist
Address: Ringtown, Pa.
- (3) Harry Edward Frye
B. 4/18/10 Died in infancy
- (3) Samuel Charles Frye
B. 10/3/11, Shenandoah, Pa.
Married: Mary Elizabeth Showers
Address: R. D. 3, Maple Lake,
Bridgeport, W. Va.

Children:

- (4) Keith Charles
B. 10/25/43, Danville, Pa.
- (3) Ralph Robert Frye
B. 1/22/14, Shenandoah, Pa.
Married: Florence Kalkis
Address: R. D. 3, Maple Lake,
Bridgeport, W. Va.

(3) LaVerne Victor Frye
B. 10/3/18, Ringtown, Pa.
Address: Ringtown, Pa.

(3) Betty Rose Frye
B. 6/10/21, Ringtown, Pa.
Married: Rentschler
Address: Ringtown, Pa.

Millard James Frye
B. 12/19/22, Ringtown, Pa.
Address: Ringtown, Pa.

(3) Ruth Ann Frye
B. 1/11/26
Died in infancy, 2/14/1927

(2) Hattie Violet Frye
Married: William Houser
Address: Ringtown, Pa.

Children:

(3) June Houser
Married: Raymond Lindner
Address: R. D., Ringtown, Pa.

(1) Sarah Caroline Witchey
B. 6/3/1856, New Philadelphia, Pa.
D. 7/28/44, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: John Evan Hawkins, 1872

Children:

(2) Bertha Dorothy Hawkins
B. 2/25/73, Gowan, Pa.
Married: Amos L. Shirey, 5/23/1901
2nd, Thomas L. Crust, 5/25/1918
Address: 118 North 4th St., Philipsburg, Pa.

Children:

(3) Florence Azalea Shirey
B. 4/15/1902, Dubois, Pa.
D. 10/21/1913

(2) Lillie Violet Hawkins
B. 9/30/1874, Nuremberg, Pa.
D. 6/3/1908
Married: Harry Shaner, 1/ /1908
Address: Philadelphia, Pa.

- (2) James Marshall Hawkins
B. 11/29/1879
Married: Mae Norris, 9/29/1909
Address: 43 Halleck St., Youngstown, Ohio.

Children:

- (3) Mae Norris Hawkins
B. 1/30/11, Heilwood, Pa.
Married: James Leroy Farrell, 7/5/32
Address: 43 Halleck St., Youngstown, Ohio.

Children:

- (4) James Leroy Farrell, Jr.
B. 7/29/39, Clearfield, Pa.
- (3) Lillian Hawkins
B. 10/1/13, Philipsburg, Pa.
D. 11/27/1914
- (3) Elizabeth Sarah Hawkins
B. 1/26/16, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: Charles Henry Shively, 3/7/34
Address: McCrea, Pa.

Children:

- (4) James Franklin Shively
B. 3/7/35, Philipsburg, Pa.
- (4) Frederick Charles Shively
B. 11/4/38, Hollidaysburg, Pa.
- (4) Mary Ann Shively
B. 6/28/41, Newville, Pa.
- (4) Sally May Shively
B. 2/27/43, Newville, Pa.
- (4) Robert Henry Shively
B. 10/24/44, Newville, Pa.
- (4) Thomas Hervey Shively
B. 9/12/46, Carlisle, Pa.
- (4) David Gerald Shively
B. 4/7/49, Newville, Pa.
- (4) Kathie Elizabeth Shively
B. 10/8/51, McCrea, Pa.

- (3) Mary Catherine Hawkins
B. 4/18/18, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: James Hagerty, 7/15/44
Address: 41 Halleck St., Youngstown, Ohio.

Children:

- (4) Mary Josephine Hagerty
B. 1/18/46, Moundsville, W. Va.
- (4) James Hagerty, Jr.
B. 10/3/48, Youngstown, Ohio
D. 12/13/48
- (3) Della Florence Hawkins
B. 5/30/22, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: Francis Bardon, 11/7/42
Address: 211 Princeton Ave., Hubbard, O.

Children:

- (4) Barbara Ann Bardon
B. 2/12/47, Youngstown, Ohio
- (4) Linda Marie Bardon
B. 11/7/49, Youngstown, Ohio
- (4) Peggy Lee Bardon
B. 8/7/52, Hubbard, Ohio.
- (2) Ninetta Azalea Hawkins
B. 9/22/1888, Center, Pa.
D. 3/21/27
Married: Dr. H. O. McMurtrie, 4/5/16
Address: 2819 N. Broad Ave., Phila. 32, Pa.

Children

- (3) John Hawkins McMurtrie
B. 1/31/17, Philadelphia, Pa.
Married: Elizabeth Minter, 7/29/43
Address: 735 East 14th Street,
Denver, Colorado.
- (3) Robert S. McMurtrie
B. 4/21/18, Philadelphia, Pa.
Married: Dorothy Goss, 10/31/45
Address: 1547 Ali Wal Blvd.,
Honolulu, Hawaii.

Children:

- (4) J. Douglas McMurtrie
B. 10/7/50, Honolulu, Hawaii.

(2) Frank Witchey Hawkins
B. 8/27/1890, Center, Pa.
Married: Anne Elizabeth Englehart, 2/6/13
Address: 8047 Lamphere St., Detroit 28, Mich.
No children.

(2) William Franklin Hawkins
Died when 15 months old.
No dates available.

(2) Edwin Franklin Hawkins
Died in infancy at 2 months of age.
No dates available.

(2) Florence Elizabeth Hawkins
B. 3/8/1896, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: Arthur P. Jacobson, 9/21/22
Address: 416 South Ashland Ave.,
La Grange, Illinois.

Children:

(3) Arthur Hawkins Jacobson
B. 3/1/23, Chicago, Ill.

(3) Dorothy Carol Jacobson
B. 6/12/30, Chicago, Ill.

(1) Rosetta Witchey
B. 9/29/1858, New Philadelphia, Pa.
D. 6/25/1922, Altoona, Pa.
Married: Curven Gearhart, 10/26/1881

Children:

(2) Clarence Franklin Gearhart
B. 6/2/1882, Philipsburg, Pa.
D. 1/14/53
Married: Edith Verna Ellenbarger, 7/28/1903
D. 4/4/1951
Address: 201 S. 12th St., Philipsburg, Pa.

Children:

(3) Justus Albert Gearhart
B. 8/23/03, Marengo, Pa.
Married: Beulah Trexler, 2/9/24
Address: 915 Sixth Ave., Altoona, Pa.

Children:

(4) Justus Gearhart, Jr.
B. 4/19/1925, Philipsburg, Pa.
D. 9/27/1932

- (3) Harold Edgar Gearhart
B. 2/4/1905, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: Jean Lansberry, 7/26/51
Address: 109 Bell Ave., Altoona, Pa.

Children:

- (4) Zane Albert Gearhart
B. 11/27/1951, Philipsburg, Pa.
- (3) Minerva Elizabeth Gearhart
B. 9/29/1907, Juniata, Pa.
Married: James Kent, 10/24/51
Address: 630 Charlotte St., Apt. 404,
Detroit 1, Mich.
- (3) Leonard Franklin Gearhart
B. 5/13/1913, Juniata, Pa.
Married: Florence Dixon, 12/9/1941
Address: 201 S. 12th St., Philipsburg, Pa.

Children:

- (4) John Franklin Gearhart
B. 12/15/1942, Philipsburg, Pa.
- (4) James Clarence Gearhart
B. 1/1/1950, Philipsburg, Pa.
- (3) Margaret Eva Gearhart
B. 7/4/1919, Eldorada, Pa.
Married: Roland Albert Martin, 11/27/40
Address: 716 E. Walnut St., Lewistown, Pa.

Children:

- (4) Jill Edith Martin
B. 10/21/1943, Philipsburg, Pa.
- (4) George Roland Martin
B. 5/13/1949, Lewistown, Pa.
- (3) Leslie Ruth Gearhart
B. 9/14/20, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: Edward George Jones, Jr.,
9/28/40
Address: 110 - 7th St., Philipsburg, Pa.

Children:

- (4) Edward Robert Jones
B. 4/24/41, Altoona, Pa.

(4) Marilyn Ruth Jones
B. 7/26/44, Tonawanda, N. Y.

(4) Edward George Jones, III.
B. 6/22/50, Philipsburg, Pa.

(3) Robert Earl Gearhart
B. 12/28/21, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: June Stanton, 7/6/47
Address: Port Matilda, R. D., Pa.

Children:

(4) Gayle Lois Gearhart
B. 12/11/48, Philipsburg, Pa.

(2) Justus E. Gearhart
B. 12/18/1884, Philipsburg, Pa.
D. 3/14/1889.

(2) Alexander Witchey Gearhart
B. 2/21/1887, Clearfield Co., Pa.
Married: 1st, Sarah Elizabeth Bell, 6/28/09
D. 9/ /1929
2nd, Ella Elizabeth Wolfe, 5/28/27
Address: 2511 Park St., Pennside, Reading, Pa.

Children:

(3) Curven Victor Gearhart
B. 9/21/08, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: Isabelle A. Bunting, 9/ /31
Address: No. 7 Tinicum Rd., Lester, Pa.

Children:

(4) Curven Victor Gearhart, Jr.
B. 12/10/34, Camden, N. J.

(4) Robert James Gearhart
B. 5/21/38, Camden, N. J.

(4) William Alexander Gearhart
B. 3/23/42, Philadelphia, Pa.

(4) Vicki Isabelle Gearhart
B. 11/9/45, Philadelphia, Pa.

(4) Linda Ellen Gearhart
B. 10/21/49, Philadelphia, Pa.

- (3) John Robert Gearhart
B. 11/17/15, Blair Co.
Married: Laura Eva Guiles, 10/25/33
Address: 2511 Park St., Pennside,
Reading, Pa.

Children:

- (4) Laura Eva Gearhart
B. 5/15/34, Philadelphia, Pa.
- (4) Betty Lou Gearhart
B. 8/13/42, Lancaster, Pa.
- (3) Rose Elizabeth Gearhart
B. 7/6/17, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: James Ward Thwaites, 11/28/40
Address: 5838 Belmar Terrace, Phila., Pa.

Children:

- (4) James Ward Thwaites, Jr.
B. 11/21/41, Philadelphia, Pa.
- (4) Donald Bruce Thwaites
B. 2/12/44, Philadelphia, Pa.
- (4) Richard Lamar Thwaites
B. 8/24/46, Philadelphia, Pa.
- (3) Shirley Bell Gearhart
B. 6/11/19, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married:: John Copple Foote, 8/31/40
Address: Lester, Pa.

Children:

- (4) John Copple Foote, Jr.
B. 7/21/42, Lester, Pa.
- (4) Frances Foote
B. 12/23/46, Lester, Pa.
- (2) Victor Paul Gearhart
B. 4/30/1889, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: Agnes Morrow McGlathery, 8/4/26
D. 4/30/42
M 2nd, Dora Belle (Godwin) Hammond,
6/20/51
Address: Rt. 1, Box 49, Arcadia, Florida.

- (2) Mignon Bertha Gearhart
B. 8/11/1890, Philipsburg, Pa.
D. 2/5/46
Married: Samuel Thaddeus Gayman, 12/24/21
D. 7/12/1942
Address: 1002 - 23rd Ave., Altoona, Pa.

Children:

- (3) Elizabeth Lorraine Gayman
B. 11/6/23, Altoona, Pa.
Married: Joseph E. Fox, Jr., 6/15/46
Address: 1002 - 23rd Ave., Altoona, Pa.
- (3) Rose Elinor Gayman
B. 10/2/27, Altoona, Pa.
Married: John Chadwick, 9/1/51
Address: Box 403, Dillsburg, Pa.
- (2) Emily Fern Gearhart
B. 8/4/1894, Chester Hill, Pa.
Married: Robert C. Halfen, 9/4/21
Address: 101 Kirkwood Ave., Akron, Ohio.

Children:

- (3) Robert C. Halfen, Jr.
B. 6/23/23, Akron, Ohio
Married: Ann Carroll Acquarone, 6/10/50
Address: 101 Kirkwood Ave., Akron, Ohio.
- (3) Joyce E. Halfen
B. 9/13/30, Akron, Ohio.
- (3) Donald R. Halfen
B. 6/14/32, Akron, Ohio.
- (2) Lulu Sara Gearhart
B. 1/2/1898, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: Lowell Fleck MacCartney, 10/19/20
Address: 2120 Coronado Way,
St. Petersburg, Florida.

Children:

- (3) Lowell Fleck MacCartney, Jr. (Twin)
B. 6/8/1921, Altoona, Pa.
Married: Beverly Zumurnkel, 12/25/47
Address: 654 - 36 Aven. N.,
St. Petersburg, Florida.

Children :

- (4) Bonnie Jean MacCartney
B. 3/20/1949, St. Petersburg, Florida
- (4) Lowell Fleck MacCartney, III.
B. 10/8/1950, St. Petersburg, Florida.
- (3) Betty Eloise MacCartney (Twin)
B. 6/8/1921, Altoona, Pa.
Married: G. Andrew Jones, Jr., 8/2/42
Address: 812 Colleton Rd., Raleigh, N. C.

Children :

- (4) Marjorie Eloise Jones
B. 12/10/1945, St. Petersburg, Florida
- (4) Paul Andrew Jones
B. 10/18/1949, Raleigh, N. C.
- (3) John Allen MacCartney
B. 11/11/1922, Altoona, Pa.
Single.
Address: At Home.
- (3) Malcolm Paul MacCartney
B. 1/19/1924, Altoona, Pa.
Married: Virginia Smith, 4/ /47
Address: 3233 Melton St.,
St. Petersburg, Florida.

Children :

- (4) Carol Lorraine MacCartney
B. 1/ /1949, Washington, D. C.
- (4) Douglas Allen MacCartney
B. 6/20/1950, Georgetown
- (4) David Bruce MacCartney
B. 10/ /1951, St. Petersburg, Florida.
- (3) Marjorie Rose MacCartney
B. 4/19/1926, Altoona, Pa.
Married: Harlan Nincehelser, 1/1/1947
Address: 3823 Vasconia St., Tampa, Fla.
- (4) Betty Lynn Nincehelser
B. 10/8/1950, St. Petersburg, Florida.

- (2) Jessie Margaret Gearhart
B. 2/20/1900, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: Fred W. Burkett, 10/18/1919
D. January 1942.
2nd, Charles E. Kuhn, 4/11/1932
Address: 16462 Redington Dr., Redington
Beach, St. Petersburg, Florida.

Children:

- (3) Fred William Burkett
B. 7/15/1920, Akron, Ohio
Married: Vivian Lockhart, 1/1/1948
Address: Lena Vista, Auburndale, Florida.

Children:

- (4) Holly Gale Burkett
B. 1/1/1948, Winter Haven, Florida.

- (1) Margaret Witchey
B. 1/1/1861, New Philadelphia, Pa.
D. 3/27/1947, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: Morgan Griffith
2nd, Wilson Ulsh.
Address: Logan St., Lewistown, Pa.

- (1) J. Franklin Witchey
B. 8/25/1863 Beaver Valley
D. 6/25/33, Osceola Mills, Pa.
Married: Anna Margaret Trude, 11/12/1895
B. 2/15/1867
D. 3/16/1929
Address: Osceola Mills, Pa.

- (2) Raymond A. Witchey
B. 6/17/1896, Osceola Mills, Pa.
Married: Zenneta B. (Gorsuch) Kirby, 4/6/23
Address: 5713 Dover Court, Worthington, O.

Children:

- (3) Donald Ray Witchey
B. 12/1/1924, Youngstown, Ohio
Married: Barbara Weaver, 8/28/48
Address: 53 Short St., Worthington, Ohio.

Children:

- (4) Carol Linda Witchey
B. 12/29/49

(3) Evalyn Jean Witchey
B. 11/10/28, Youngstown, Ohio
Married: Milton Dyer, 10/14/1951
Address: 2519 W. Pikes Peak,
Colorado Springs, Colorado.

(3) Beverly Trude Witchey
B. 3/29/32, Youngstown, Ohio.

(2) Harry Wesley Witchey
B. 2/19/1898, Osceola Mills, Pa.
Married: Mildred F. Fickes, 2/22/26
Address: 322 Campbell St., Williamsport, Pa.

(3) Anna Mae Witchey
B. 11/18/26, Altoona, Pa.
D. 12/17/26

(3) Robert Harry Witchey - 935 MORROW WAY
B. 4/20/29, Altoona, Pa. FORT WAYNE IN. 46808
Single. TERRY IGOE
(4) PATRICA 1960
(4) SONDRA 1961
(4) GLEN 1966
(4) ALAN 1967
Address: United States Army Chemical
Center, Maryland.

(3) Helen Mildred Witchey
B. 2/18/34, Arnold, Pa.
Married: Earl Matthew Thompson, 7/5/52
Address: 509 Shamokin St., Shamokin, Pa.

Children:

(4) Linda Kay Thompson
B. May 24, 1953, Shamokin, Pa.

(2) Ethel Rosa Witchey
B. 9/2/1899, Osceola Mills, Pa.
Address: 405 Hale St., Osceola Mills, Pa.

(2) Ralph Morgan Witchey
B. 5/27/1901, Osceola Mills, Pa.
Married: Helen M. Stauffer, 5/23/1925
D. 2/22/1934
Elizabeth Jane (John) Schrum, 5/11/1935
Address: 1411 Freeport Rd., Tarentum, Pa.

Children:

(3) Audrey Louise Witchey
B. 5/27/27, Forest, Ohio
Married: Claude Fетters, 9/7/47
Address: 294 Jackson St., York, Pa.

(3) Ralph Gordon Witchey
B. 9/29/28, Ford City, Pa.
Married: Betty Lorraine Archibald, 8/2/49
Address: 54 Newman Rd., Malden, Mass.

(3) Ronald Wayne Witchey
B. 10/13/32, New Kensington, Pa.

(2) Frank Ernest Witchey
B. 11/21/1904, Osceola Mills, Pa.
Married: Priscilla Heath, 8/14/1931
Address: 44 Center St., Waterloo, N. Y.

Children:

(3) Frank Heath Witchey
B. 10/21/33, Wilmington, Delaware

(1) Lily Mae Witchey (Twin to Violet)
B. 10/25/1866, Black Creek, Pa.
D. 11/5/1903
Married: James Edwards, 10/1/1891
D. 8/11/1911
Address: Osceola Mills, Pa.

Children:

(2) William Edwards
B. 1895
D. 1914, Osceola Mills, Pa.

(2) Violet Edwards
B. 1897
D. 1915, Osceola Mills, Pa.

(2) Bessie Edwards

(2) Unnamed Child

(2) Elmer Roosevelt Edwards
B. 5/23/1902, Osceola Mills, Pa.
Married: Josephine Edmonston, 10/24/25
Address: 3807 W. Chestnut Ave., Altoona, Pa.

Children:

(3) John Madison Edwards
B. 12/4/31, Osceola Mills, Pa.
D. 12/10/31, Osceola Mills, Pa.

(1) Emma Viletta (Violet) Witchey, (Twin to Lily)
B. 10/25/1866, Black Creek, Pa.
D. 3/12/1945, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: David Henry Morgan, 2/ /1892
Address: Chester Hill, Philipsburg, Pa.

Children:

- (2) Norma Salome Morgan
B. 7/28/1892, Jeddo, Pa.
D. 1/17/1937
Married: Elmer Houseal, 4/30/1913
Address: In the Salvation Army.

Children:

- (3) Harold Milton Houseal
B. 12/11/1914, Norristown, Pa.
Married: Ernestine Parker, May 1936
Address: 533 Persimmon Ave.,
Temple City, California.
No Children given.
- (3) Norma Pearl Houseal
B. 11/4/1916, Norristown, Pa.
Married: Victor Koechler, 8/20/1936
Address: 7624 Schneider Road,
Houston 16, Texas.
No Children given.
- (3) Walter Willis Houseal
B. 12/30/1922, Milton, Pa.
Married: Margaret Irene McNeiland,
3/28/1947
Address: 501 Charles St., Wellsburg, W. Va.

Children:

- (4) Norma Margaret Houseal
B. 11/15/1947, San Antonio, Texas
- (4) Sharon Kathleen Houseal
B. 1/3/1951, Columbia, S. Carolina
D. 4/21/1951, Wellsburg, W. Va.
- (4) Nancy Ruth Houseal
B. 5/19/1952, Wheeling, W. Va.
- (2) Nellie Margaret Morgan
B. 4/24/1896, Jeddo, Pa.
Married: Joseph Parkes, 2/9/1916
Address: R. D. 1, Box 133, Philipsburg, Pa.

Children:

- (3) Caroline Violet Parkes
B. 2/12/1917, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: Charles F. Moore, 5/2/1947
Address: Chester Hill, Philipsburg, Pa.
No children.

- (3) Alvin George Parks
B. 5/22/1918, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: Alice Lannen, 8/22/1942
Address: Black Moshannon, Philipsburg, Pa.

Children:

- (4) Virginia Marie Parkes
B. 8/11/1943, Philipsburg, Pa.
- (4) Earl Alvin Parkes
B. 3/8/1947, Philipsburg, Pa.
- (4) Roger Allen Parkes
B. 1/25/1949, Philipsburg, Pa.
- (3) Edward Willet Parkes (Twin to Elsie)
B. 6/19/1920, Philipsburg, Pa.
Died in infancy.
- (3) Elsie Margaret Parkes (Twin to Edward)
B. 6/19/1920, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: George McDonald, 8/16/1940
Address: Hawk Run, Pa.

Children:

- (4) Joseph McDonald
B. 7/7/1942, Philipsburg, Pa.
- (3) David Joseph Parkes
B. 10/27/1923, Philipsburg, Pa.
At Home.
- (3) Raymond Nathan Parkes
B. 3/4/1926, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: Jeanne Hoffner, 12/14/1947
Address: Box, 133, Philipsburg, Pa.

Children:

- (4) Nathan Larry Parkes
B. 6/4/1950, Philipsburg, Pa.
- (3) Esther Louise Parkes
B. 6/27/1928, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: William K. Lawrence, 7/1/1950
Address: Custer City, Pa.
No Children.
- (3) Nelda Dorothy Parkes
B. 10/21/1932, Philipsburg, Pa.
At Home.
- (2) Alvin Justus Morgan
B. 7/29/1898, Jeddo, Pa.
Married: Vinnie Elizabeth Botticher, 7/26/19
Address: Philipsburg, Pa.

- (3) John Alvin Morgan
B. 3/29/30, Portage, Pa.
Married: Elda Marie Shimmel, 6/5/48
Address: 17677 Lincoln, E. Detroit, Mich.

Children:

- (4) Morris Alvin Morgan
B. 3/29/49, Philipsburg, Pa.
(4) John Stewart Morgan
B. 9/9/50, Philipsburg, Pa.
(4) Karen Marie Morgan
B. 8/5/51, Detroit, Mich.
(2) Forest Eldon Morgan
B. 12/1/1902, Chester Hill, Pa.
Married: Anna Sabol, 10/8/23
Address: R. D. Box 726, Philipsburg, Pa.

Children:

- (3) Gladys Annabelle Morgan
B. 11/12/23, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: Stanley Wawrynovic, 5/29/48
Address: Kate Street, Osceola Mills, Pa.

Children:

- (4) Stanley John Wawrynovic
B. 10/30/50, Philipsburg, Pa.
(3) Marion Della Morgan
B. 10/3/25, Philipsburg, Pa.
D. 2/6/30, Philipsburg, Pa.
(3) Forest Eldon Morgan, Jr.
B. 9/7/27, Philipsburg, Pa.
Married: Jane Matson, 4/24/48
Address: Crestmont Village, Alliquippa, Pa.

Children:

- (4) William Forest Morgan
B. 3/5/50, Sewickley, Pa.
(4) Nancy Morgan (Twin)
B. 4/14/52, Philipsburg, Pa.
(4) Susan Morgan (Twin)
B. 4/14/52, Philipsburg, Pa.
(3) Harold Llewellen Morgan
B. 9/3/29, Freedom, Pa.
In the United States Armed Service in Korea.
(3) Beverly Ann Morgan
B. 2/24/36, Philipsburg, Pa.

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BR I/I5I Witschi, Jakob Seiler, Getauft, 22- Nov.- 1783 **
Wegmect, Canton)

Ehefrau;; Margaritha Weibel, Von Buren
Getauft, 10- April- 1791

Ehe, 31- March- 1808

Kinder

1. Rudolf, Geboren, 23- Juli- 1810
Nach Amerika Juli 1831, Kam wieder Zurück
To America 1831, Returned to Switzerland.
2. Jakob, Geboren, 19- Dez.- 1812
3. Friedrich, Geboren, 18- April- 1815
4. Maria Elisabeth Geboren, 13- Dez.- 1818
Ehefrau RAU. in Philadelphia.
5. Johannes, Geboren, 9- Mai- 1820

7. Rosina Elisabeth, Geboren, 17- Nov.- 1824
8. Gottlieb, Geboren, 20- Dez.- 1826
9. Maria Elisabeth, Geboren, 3 - Sept.- 1829
10. Albert, Geboren, 6- Dez.- 1831

Diese Familie, mit Ausnahme des Altesten Sohnes, Zog nach Amerika, 1- Juli- 1834.

(With the exception of the Eldest Son, This Family moved to America)

ER I/275 Witschl, Samuel, Rudolfs, Seiler, Getauft, 4- Feb.- 1781
 Ehefrau; Maria. Kratzen, Getauft, 14- Juli.- 1771
 Ehe, 13- Mai.- 1803 Gestorb, 22- Marz.- 1822
 Was Katholisch (Was a Catholic)

Im Jahre 1810 Or 1811, Trat Samuel Witschl in Franzosi-sche Dienste und ist Vermutlich Umgekommen.
 Took up Military Service with the French in 1810 or 1811 and probably died there.



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